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SUBJECT: OPENING OF PLO OFFICE IN VIENNA PROBABLE

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REFS: A. VIENNA 8866; B. VIENNA 10670

1. STATEMENTS OF PLO SPOKESMAN FAROUK KHADDOUMI AT UN IN NY LAST WEEK THAT PLO EXPECTED TO OPEN VIENNA OFFICE IN TWO OR THREE MONTHS HAS ELICITED RESPONSES THAT INDICATE QUESTION OF PLO REPRESENTATION IN VIENNA IS DEVELOPING ALONG LINES INDICATED BY MFA OFFICIAL TO EMBOFF LAST OCTOBER (REFTEL A), VIZ. OBSERVER MISSION TO UN BODIES AT VIENNA SIMILAR TO THAT AT NY AND GENEVA RATHER THAN INFORMATION BUREAU AS IN PARIS, BONN, AND STOCKHOLM.

2. FOREIGN MINISTER BIELKA AND OTHER MFA SOURCES HAVE CONFIRMED KHADDOUMI'S CLAIMS IN SEPARATE INTERVIEWS IN VIENNA PAPERS "KURIER" AND "KRONEN ZEITUNG" ON JANUARY 17 THAT AUSTRIAN MFA AND PLO REPRESENTATIVES HAD BEEN IN RECENT CONTACT ABOUT PLO OPENING OFFICE AT VIENNA. BIELKA TOLD JOURNALISTS THAT GOA HAS NO OBJECTIONS TO PLO OFFICE IN VIENNA IF ESTABLISHED AT ONE OF UN ORGANIZATIONS (IAEA, UNIDO). HE SAID QUESTION OF PLO INFORMATION OFFICE IS BEING STUDIED. SOCIALIST PAPER "ARBEITER ZEITUNG" ADDED THAT WHOLE MATTER HAD BEEN DISCUSSED BY MFA SEC GEN HAYMERLE LAST WEEK WITH PLO REPRESENTATIVE FROM BUDAPEST AND SYRIAN AMBASSADOR AT VIENNA.

3. KHADDOUMI HAD TOLD JOURNALISTS AT NY THAT PLO WOULD PREFER OFFICIAL REPRESENTATION TO GOA BUT WOULD BE SATISFIED FOR TIME BEING WITH UN-RELATED BUREAU IN ORDER TO AVOID "INTERNAL POLITICAL PROBLEMS" FOR CHANCELLOR KREISKY. "SINCE WE HOLD DR. KREISKY IN SPECIAL ESTEEM - HE HAS SUPPORTED OUR RIGHTS SO OFTEN - WE CAN ONLY PROCEED STEP BY STEP," KHADDOUMI COMMENTED, ADDING THAT PLO KNEW AUSTRIAN ATTITUDES AND REALIZED PROBLEM WAS "DELICATE." KHADDOUMI FLATLY DENIED THAT MIKE MILLIWOY, SELF-STYLED DIRECTOR OF RECENTLY OPENED ARAB/PLO INFORMATION OFFICE AT VIENNA, REPRESENTED PLO (REFTEL B).

4. COMMENT: IN EMBASSY VIEW ANY EFFORT TO STOP OR LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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DELAY OPENING OF ANY PLO OFFICE IN VIENNA WILL BE UNSUCCESSFUL. HOWEVER, WE FEEL ATTEMPT SHOULD BE MADE AT THIS JUNCTURE TO TRY TO HOLD GOA TO RESTRICTING PLO OFFICE IN VIENNA TO PARAMETERS OF OPERATIONS NOW ALLOWED FOR PLO OFFICES TO UN BODIES IN NY AND GENEVA. PLEASE ADVISE.BUCHANAN

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